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## BODEXPRESS ADDS NAME TO GROWING LIST OF CLARK PROBABLES

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Thursday, Nov. 19, 2020) – Top Racing LLC, Global Thoroughbred and GDS Racing Stable's multiple graded stakes placed colt Bodexpress has added his name to the expanding lineup for next Friday's Grade I, \$500,000 Clark presented by Norton Healthcare, according to trainer Gustavo Delgado's assistant and son Gustavo Delgado Jr.

Bodexpress, a three-time winner, finished 13th in the 2019 Kentucky Derby presented by Woodford Reserve (GI). The colt drew notoriety following his 71-1 runner-up effort behind **Maximum Security** in the \$1 million Florida Derby (GI). While still a maiden, Bodexpress drew in off the also-eligible list to run in the Kentucky Derby. Most recently, the 4-year-old son of Bodemeister dominated a 1 1/16-mile allowance event at Gulfstream Park West by 11 ½ lengths.

Other top older horses expected to enter the Clark include W.S. Farish's multiple Grade I winner Code of Honor; Jim Bakke and Gerald Isbister's 2019 Clark third-place finisher Mr Freeze; and Rupp Racing's three-time Grade III victor Owendale.

Entries for the Clark will be taken Sunday. Additional horses that could join the field, according to Churchill Downs assistant racing secretary and stakes coordinator Dan Bork: Albaugh Family Stables LLC and Helen K. Groves Revocable Trust's two-time winner Coastal Defense; Bonne Chance Farm, LLC and Stud R D I LLC.'s recent Keeneland turf allowance winner In Love (BRZ); and Imperial Racing's 2019 UAE Derby (GII) winner Plus Que Parfait.

Trainer Bret Calhoun reported he nominated multiple graded stakes winners By My Standards and Mr. Money to the Clark. They are expected to work Friday and could enter the race.

FINITE MADE 8-5 FAVORITE IN CHILUKKI – Winchell Thoroughbreds, Thomas Reiman, William Dickson and Deborah Easter's multiple graded stakes winning filly Finite was made the 8-5 morning line favorite for Saturday's 35th running of the Grade III, \$100,000 Chilukki Stakes at Churchill Downs.

Run at one-mile, the Chilukki is carded as Race 9 with a post time of 5:06 p.m. (all times Eastern). First post for the 10-race program is 1 p.m.

Finite, a 3-year-old filly by Munnings, was the narrow runner-up finisher behind **Venetian Harbor** in last month's \$200,000 Raven Run (GII) at Keeneland. Previously, the **Steve Asmussen**-trained Finite was on the Kentucky Oaks (GI) trail after victories in the \$120,000 Rags to Riches, \$300,000 Golden Rod (GII), \$150,000 Silverbulletday and \$300,000 Rachel Alexandra (GII). Following her fourth-place effort in the \$400,000 Fair Grounds Oaks (GII), Finite underwent minor ankle surgery but returned to Asmussen's stable a few months later.

The complete field for the Chilukki from the rail out (with jockey, trainer and morning line odds): **New Roo** (Brian Hernandez Jr., Tommy Drury, 20-1); Finite (Santana, Asmussen, 8-5); **Grand Cru Classe** (Tyler Gaffalione, Bill Mott, 5-2); **Whoa Nellie** (Joe Rocco Jr., Larry Jones, 4-1); **Gold Standard** (Florent Geroux, Brad Cox, 15-1); Risky Mandate (Miguel Mena, Tom Amoss, 5-1); **Crazy Sexy Munny** (Crystal Conning, Bill Morey, 50-1); **Unique Factor** (Corey Lanerie, Peter Miller, 10-1); and **Sanenus** (Rafael Bejarano, Michael McCarthy, 20-1).

The Chilukki is named after the three-time Churchill Downs stakes-winning filly. Trained by **Bob Baffert**, Chilukki set two track records beneath the Twin Spires – her 1999 4 ½-furlong debut performance in :51 and a scorching one-mile clocking in 1:33.57, breaking the 31-year track record in this event in 2000.

**LANERIE TO RIDE AT TURFWAY IN DECEMBER** – Churchill Downs 19-time leading rider **Corey Lanerie** plans to join the jockey colony at Turfway Park for their Holiday Meet which begins on Dec. 2, according to agent **Cory Prewitt**.

Lanerie, who celebrated his 46th birthday on Nov. 13, will ride regularly at Turfway for the first time since their 2011 September Meet. Following the one-month meet, Lanerie plans to ride at Oaklawn Park, according to Prewitt.

Other local jockeys expected to join the Turfway Park colony are Rafael Bejarano, Declan Cannon, Gerardo Corrales, Jon Court, Chris Landeros and Edgar Morales.

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**TV SCHEDULE** – Racing at Churchill Downs continues every Wednesday-Sunday through Nov. 29 daily first post at 1 p.m. (except 11:30 a.m. on Thanksgiving Day). Below is this week's TV schedule on the Fox Sports family of networks:

Thursday: FS2 (11:30-5:30 p.m.) | MSG+ (11:30-5:30 p.m.) Friday: FS2 (11:30-5:30 p.m.) | MSG+ (11:30-5:30 p.m.) Saturday: FS2 (11:30-6 p.m.) | MSG+ (12-6 p.m.) Sunday: FS1 (12-4 p.m.), FS2 (4-6 p.m.) | MSG+ (12:30-6 p.m.)

CHURCHILL DOWNS TO PARTNER WITH NYRA FOR CROSS COUNTRY PICK 5 ON FRIDAY – Churchill Downs has once again partnered with the New York Racing Association for a Cross Country Pick 5 that included three races from Churchill and two from Aqueduct.

The Race order and approximate post times (all times eastern):

Leg A: Aqueduct Race 7 (2:45 p.m.) Leg B: Churchill Race 5 (3:03 p.m.) Leg C: Aqueduct Race 8 (3:17 p.m.) Leg D: Churchill Race 6 (3:36 p.m.) Leg E: Aqueduct Race 9 (3:47 p.m.)

The 50-cent minimum wager has a 15% takeout and can be placed at simulcast centers and ADWs including TwinSpires.com

**DOWN THE STRETCH** – There was a \$143,816 carryover in the 20-cent Single 6 Jackpot for racing on Thursday. First post was 1 p.m. and the Single 6 spanned Races 4-9. ... Pool 1 of the Kentucky Derby Future Wager and Sire Future Wager will run Thursday, Nov. 26 to Sunday, Nov. 29. More information can be found on <a href="https://www.kentuckyderby.com/futurewager">www.kentuckyderby.com/futurewager</a>. ... The season finale of "Inside Churchill Downs" will air Friday at 6 p.m. on ESPN 680/105.7. The show is streamed live on <a href="https://www.espnlouisville.com">www.espnlouisville.com</a>. ... Happy Birthday wishes are extended to Hall of Fame trainer **Steve Asmussen** who turned 55-years-old on Wednesday and his first-call rider **Ricardo Santana Jr.**, who turned 28-years-old on Thursday. ... For more information about the Churchill Downs Fall Meet, visit <a href="https://www.churchilldowns.com">www.churchilldowns.com</a>.